

**RULE 63 (37 C.F.R. 1.63)**  
**INVENTORS DECLARATION FOR PATENT APPLICATION**  
**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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the specification of which (check applicable box(es)):

☐ is attached hereto  
☒ was filed on November 2, 2000 as U.S. Application Serial No. 09/703,709 (Atty. Dkt. No. 3691-101)  
☐ was filed as PCT International application No. on  
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I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above. I acknowledge the duty to disclose to the Patent Office all information known to me to be material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. 1.56. I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under 35 U.S.C. 119/365 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed or, if no priority is claimed, before the filing date of this application:

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I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon. And on behalf of the owner(s) hereof, I hereby ask that all communications in this matter be directed to:  
 NIXON & VANDERHYE P.C., 1100 North Glebe Rd., 8<sup>th</sup> Floor, Arlington, VA 22201-4714, telephone number (703) 816-4000.

1. Inventor's Signature:

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In re Patent Application of

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Examiner:

For: METHOD OF ION BEAM MILLING A GLASS  
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Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

**ASSOCIATE POWER OF ATTORNEY**

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All correspondence regarding the above-identified application is to be sent to:

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GUARDIAN INDUSTRIES CORP.

Date: 2/14/01

By: Craig A. Baldwin

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Title: Corporate Counsel

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NOW, THEREFORE, for valuable consideration the receipt and sufficiency of  
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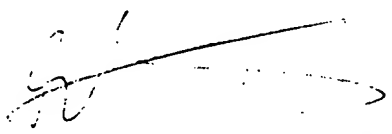
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ASSIGNORS hereby agree to execute any papers by ASSIGNEE, its successors, assigns, and legal representatives, deemed essential to ASSIGNEE's full protection and title in and to the invention hereby transferred; and

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